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MEMORANDUM

TO: The Commission
FROM: Timothy Duggan, Administrative Law Judge
DATE: April 3, 2013
SUBJECT: State of Illinois, Department of Transportation,
Petitioner,

v.

Illinois Central Railroad Company,
Respondents.

Petition for an Order to reconstruct the two highway overpass structures designated as existing Structure Nos. 038-0013 (N.B.) and 038-0014 (S.B.), AAR/DOT #228 972S, railroad milepost 70.10 over I-57 near Clifton, Iroquois County, Illinois.

RECOMMENDATION: Enter Order approving reconstruction of overpass structures.

On February 8, 2013, the Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT) filed a Petition seeking authority to reconstruct the two highway bridges that carry I-57 over Illinois Central Railroad Company's (IC) tracks south of Clifton, Illinois in Iroquois County. An Amended Petition was filed on February 13, 2013. Hearing was held on March 12, 2013.

I-57 crosses a single mainline IC track just south of Clifton, Illinois. Two north bound lanes of I-57 are carried by one bridge while the two southbound lanes are carried by a separate parallel bridge. IDOT proposes to replace the existing superstructure of each bridge, widen the bridge decks, and alter and widen the supporting piers and abutments. Vertical and horizontal clearances will meet Commission requirements.

IDOT and IC entered into an agreement setting out their respective obligations for the project. The reconstruction design plans for the project were made part of the agreement, all of which was admitted as Exhibit 1. IDOT has agreed to be responsible for all costs. The Order authorizes the reconstruction consistent with the design plans and Orders that IDOT be responsible for all costs.

A Proposed Order was filed and served upon all Parties and Staff. IDOT filed a statement that it had no exception and no objection to the Proposed Order. IC and Staff filed no responses. At hearing, Staff took no position. IC supports the project.

I recommend entry of the attached order approving construction of the overpass.